

**Report of  
Endangered, Threatened, and Special Concern  
Plants, Animals, and Natural Communities  
for Clay County, Kentucky**

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## Key for County List Report

Within a county, elements are arranged first by taxonomic complexity (plants first, natural communities last), and second by scientific name. A key to status, ranks, and count data fields follows.

### STATUS

KSNPC: Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission status:

N or blank = none    E = endangered    T = threatened    S = special concern    H = historic    X = extirpated

USESA: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service status:

blank = none    C = candidate    LT = listed as threatened    LE = listed as endangered

SOMC = Species of Management Concern

### RANKS

GRANK: Estimate of element abundance on a global scale:

G1 = Critically imperiled

GU = Unrankable

G2 = Imperiled

G#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?)

G3 = Vulnerable

G#Q = Questionable taxonomy

G4 = Apparently secure

G#T# = Intraspecific taxa (Subspecies and variety abundances are coded with a 'T' suffix; the 'G' portion of the rank then refers to the entire species)

G5 = Secure

GH = Historic, possibly extinct

GNR = Unranked

GX = Presumed extinct

GNA = Not applicable

SRANK: Estimate of element abundance in Kentucky:

S1 = Critically imperiled

SU = Unrankable

Migratory species may have separate ranks for different population segments (e.g. S1B, S2N, S4M):

S2 = Imperiled

S#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?)

S3 = Vulnerable

S#Q = Questionable taxonomy

S#B = Rank of breeding population

S4 = Apparently secure

S#T# = Intraspecific taxa

S#N = Rank of non-breeding population

S5 = Secure

SNR = Unranked

S#M = Rank of transient population

SH = Historic, possibly extirpated

SNA = Not applicable

SX = Presumed extirpated

### COUNT DATA FIELDS

# OF OCCURRENCES: Number of occurrences of a particular element from a county. Column headings are as follows:

E - currently reported from the county

H - reported from the county but not seen for at least 20 years

F - reported from county & cannot be relocated but for which further inventory is needed

X - known to have extirpated from the county

U - reported from a county but cannot be mapped to a quadrangle or exact location.

The data from which the county report is generated is continually updated. The date on which the report was created is in the report footer. Contact KSNPC for a current copy of the report.

Please note that the quantity and quality of data collected by the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program are dependent on the research and observations of many individuals and organizations. In most cases, this information is not the result of comprehensive or site-specific field surveys; many natural areas in Kentucky have never been thoroughly surveyed, and new species of plants and animals are still being discovered. For these reasons, the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program cannot provide a definitive statement on the presence, absence, or condition of biological elements in any part of Kentucky. Heritage reports summarize the existing information known to the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program at the time of the request regarding the biological elements or locations in question. They should never be regarded as final statements on the elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments.

KSNPC appreciates the submission of any endangered species data for Kentucky from field observations. For information on data reporting or other data services provided by KSNPC, please contact the Data Manager at:

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County	Taxonomic Group	Scientific name	Common name	Statuses	Ranks	# of Occurrences				
						E	H	F	X	U
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Hypericum crux-andreae</i>	St. Peter's-wort	T /	G5 / S2S3	0	1	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Juglans cinerea</i>	White Walnut	S / SOMC	G4 / S3	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Lathyrus venosus</i>	Smooth Veiny Peavine	S /	G5 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Podostemum ceratophyllum</i>	Threadfoot	S /	G5 / S3	12	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Prenanthes crepidinea</i>	Nodding Rattlesnake-root	S /	G4 / S3	4	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Silphium wasiotense</i>	Appalachian Rosinweed	S / SOMC	G3 / S3	27	0	2	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Solidago curtisii</i>	Curtis' Goldenrod	T /	G4G5 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Thermopsis mollis</i>	Soft-haired Thermopsis	E /	G3G4 / S1	4	0	0	0	0
Clay	Vascular Plants	<i>Vallisneria americana</i>	Eelgrass	S /	G5 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Terrestrial Snails	<i>Anguispira rugoderma</i>	Pine Mountain Tigersnail	E /	G2 / S2	4	0	0	0	0
Clay	Terrestrial Snails	<i>Mesomphix rugeli</i>	Wrinkled Button	T /	G4 / S2	3	0	0	0	0
Clay	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Anodontoides denigratus</i>	Cumberland Papershell	E / SOMC	G1 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Epioblasma triquetra</i>	Snuffbox	E / SOMC	G3 / S1	5	1	3	0	0
Clay	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Fusconaia subrotunda</i>	Longsolid	S /	G3 / S3	2	0	0	0	0
Clay	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica</i>	Rabbitsfoot	T / C	G3G4T3 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Villosa lienosa</i>	Little Spectaclecase	S /	G5 / S3S4	4	3	2	0	0
Clay	Crustaceans	<i>Cambarus parvovulus</i>	Mountain Midget Crayfish	T /	G5 / S2	3	0	0	0	0
Clay	Insects	<i>Dryobius sexnotatus</i>	Sixbanded Longhorn Beetle	T / SOMC	GNR / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Insects	<i>Maccaffertium bednariki</i>	A Heptageniid Mayfly	S /	G2G4 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Insects	<i>Ophiogomphus howei</i>	Pygmy Snaketail	T / SOMC	G3 / S1S2	0	1	0	0	0
Clay	Fishes	<i>Ichthyomyzon fossor</i>	Northern Brook Lamprey	T /	G4 / S2	0	1	0	0	0
Clay	Fishes	<i>Percina macrocephala</i>	Longhead Darter	E / SOMC	G3 / S1	0	2	0	0	0
Clay	Reptiles	<i>Eumeces anthracinus</i>	Coal Skink	T /	G5 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Breeding Birds	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	Sharp-shinned Hawk	S /	G5 / S3B,S4N	1	0	0	0	0
Clay	Breeding Birds	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>	Sedge Wren	S /	G5 / S3B	0	1	0	0	0
Clay	Mammals	<i>Corynorhinus rafinesquii</i>	Rafinesque's Big-eared Bat	S / SOMC	G3G4 / S3	3	0	0	0	0

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Clay	Mammals	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>	Indiana Bat	E / LE	G2 / S1S2	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Clay County Total:</b>						<b>83</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>